MR. C. N. SRIRENGANATHA SASTRI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) A statement of the amounts allotted for each Division is given below:—

Serial No.	*Division.*	*Works.*	*Repairs.*	*Total.*
1	Alwaye	1,04,130	1,78,720	2,82,850
2	Kottayam	1,22,485	2,44,364	3,66,849
3	Quilon	1,44,390	2,68,908	4,13,298
4	Trivandrum	50,563	1,45,810	1,96,373
5	Nagercoil	21,830	1,25,725	1,47,555
		4,43,398	9,63,527	14,06,925

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): May I know why, of all the five Divisions the Nagercoil Division gets a comparatively smaller allotment?

MR. C. N. SRIRENGANATHA SASTRI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The less developed Divisions now get more. The Nagercoil Division has in past years been getting comparatively very large allotments. It is therefore that the less developed Divisions have now been given more.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): Are the Government aware that in the Division where very extensive cultivation is carried on, there must be more roads, communications and other public works?

MR. C. N. SRIRENGANATHA SASTRI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): As a matter of fact, Government *have* bestowed a great deal of attention on the Nagercoil Division in former years. They now consider that more money should be provided for other Divisions.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): What is the percentage of the total allotment that the Nagercoil Division now gets?

MR. C. N. SRIRENGANATHA SASTRI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The member himself may make the calculation.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): I am a poor mathematician, Sir. (*Laughter.*)

Construction of a bridge at Kottuchirapatam ferry.

20. **MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI** (*Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any amount is provided for the bridge at Kottuchirapatam ferry in Parur taluk, in the Budget for 1108; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether they have issued orders to take up the work, and, if not, why not?

MR. C. N. SRIRENGANATHA SASTRI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Rs. 2,000 has been provided in the Budget for 1108.

(*b*) Yes.

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